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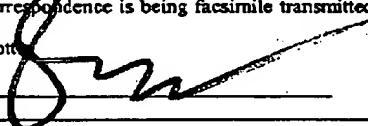
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Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.

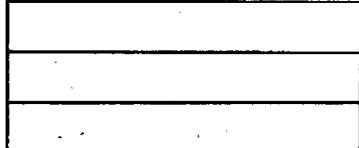
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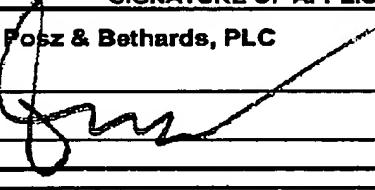
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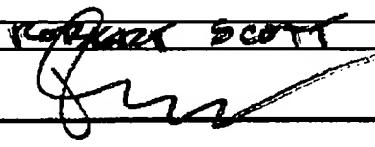
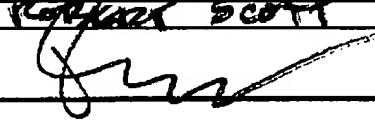
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1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month
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1254	1450	2254	725	Extension for reply within fourth month
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1402	320	2402	180	Filing a brief in support of an appeal
1403	280	2403	140	Request for oral hearing
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1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable
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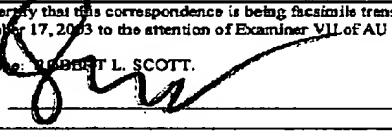
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